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Great Bargain Sale.

Men's \$2.50 and \$3.00 Shoes, now	\$1.99
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DEWEY IS A CANDIDATE

Admiral Says He Is Willing to Accept Nomination.

REASONS FOR CHANGE OF MIND.

Many Friends Have Assured Him That He Would Be an Acceptable Nominee For the Presidency—Has Not Yet Made Public His Politics.

New York, April 4.—The World's Washington correspondent says that Admiral Dewey authorizes The World to announce to the American people that after mature reflection and in response to the earnest entreaties from all parts of the country his former decision not under any circumstances to run for the presidency is rescinded.

A World correspondent saw the admiral at his home at 1747 Rhode Island avenue at 6 o'clock last evening and asked him if he was willing to make a statement relative to his attitude toward a nomination for the presidency. The admiral said:

"Yes; I realize that the time has arrived when I must definitely define my position."

"When I arrived in this country last September, I said then that nothing would induce me to be a candidate for the presidency."

"Since then, however, I have had the leisure and inclination to study the matter and have reached a different conclusion, inasmuch as so many assurances have come to me from my countrymen that I would be acceptable as a candidate for this great office."

"If the American people want me for this high office, I shall be only too willing to serve them."

"It is the highest honor in the gift of this nation. What citizen would refuse it?"

Presidency Not a Hard Office.

"Since studying this subject, I am convinced that the office of president is not such a very difficult one to fill, his duties being mainly to execute the laws of congress."

"Should I be chosen for this exalted position, I would execute the laws of congress as faithfully as I have always executed the orders of my superiors."

"Is there any political significance in your trip west?" the correspondent asked.

"No, I am simply filling the engagements made months ago—long before I ever thought seriously of the presidency."

"On what platform will you stand?"

"I think I have said enough at this time, and possibly too much."

The Brooklyn Eagle printed this story under a Washington date yesterday:

"There can be but little doubt that Admiral George Dewey is at least a receptive candidate for the nomination for president of the United States. After a talk with the admiral at his house The Eagle correspondent left with this firm impression and the conviction that he would not decline a nomination to that office were it tendered to him either by the Republican or by the Democratic party."

Admiral Dewey's feeling in the matter is shown by the fact that he was made really angry by the suggestion that it would be wise for him to decline a nomination."

Root Declines Against Dury.

New York, April 4.—The Herald says that, according to reports received here, Elihu Root has decided as secretary of war that the city of Havana must re-pudiate the \$12,000,000 contract for sewerage and paving which made with Michael J. Dady of Brooklyn and then must pay Mr. Dady damages for its refusal to allow him to do the work. This decision has caused much surprise in local circles, and this astonishment has been increased owing to the fact that before he became secretary of war Mr. Dady paid \$5,000 to Mr. Root's law firm for an opinion as to his right under the contract, and it is said that this opinion was strongly in favor of Mr. Dady. When General Ludlow became military governor of Havana, he determined to do the work by military administration under his own supervision and not by contract. He announced this decision to Mr. Dady in person, and Mr. Dady appealed to the war department.

Colonel Bryan In Tacoma.

Tacoma, Wash., April 4.—Colonel William J. Bryan made three speeches yesterday, one at Olympia in the morning and two more. In the afternoon he addressed 8,000 people in the New Wigwam, and in the evening the building, with a capacity of 10,000, was packed. He left last night for Oregon. Colonel Bryan is almost worn out by his recent canvas of the state. When seen at the conclusion of his speech he could hardly articulate. His theme throughout the state has been antievasion and trust—a brief reference to silver and a plea for the income tax.

Fourth Class Postmasters.

Washington, April 4.—The following four class postmasters have been appointed:

- Pennsylvania: Chilisquaque, Jeremiah Summers; Clay, Abraham E. Lane; Constitution, Harry C. Merriman; Fairbrook, George W. Johnston; Grahamville, James W. Scott; Mastersonville, J. S. Hackman; Richardsville, Maggie G. Moorhead; Sunbury, Joseph Hanna.
- New York: Hartland, James Manchester; Pittsford, Michael Rabb; Stockport, Charles R. Van de Carr; West Pittston, John L. Coulton.
- Rochester, April 4.—Because she could get no more credit at a corner grocery store, Mrs. Catherine Meyer, aged 32, wife of a coal driver, living at 419 Joseph avenue, yesterday afternoon killed her two children, a daughter 3 years old and a son 1 year old, by throwing them into a cistern under the floor in the rear of the kitchen. She then threw herself into the cistern, where all three bodies were found at 3 o'clock.
- Mrs. McKinley Better. Washington, April 4.—Mrs. McKinley, who has been confined to her room for some time on account of an attack of grip, is greatly improved and yesterday for the first time in the last week or more was able to take drive with the president.

Movements of Warships.

Washington, April 4.—The Brooklyn has arrived at Yokohama. The Monocacy has sailed for Shanghai for target practice. The Dixie is at Naples. The Dixie is due on April 21.

THE QUEEN IN IRELAND.

Brisling Bain Dampens Reception at Kingstown.

Kingstown, Ireland, April 4.—For once the queen's provincial good fortune in matters tactorial deserted her yesterday, and she arrived in Ireland amid weather that was typically Irish. A drizzling rain fell during most of the passage, keeping all the members of the royal party below decks. The trip occupied less than four hours.

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The bad weather and the change of programs greatly interfered with the public welcome of her majesty. There were comparatively few people in Kingstown when the queen actually arrived, but within the next three hours crowded trains brought a multitude, who despite the heavy showers, thronged the quays watching the royal yacht, which was moored only a hundred yards away. Shortly before 6 o'clock the clouds broke, and the April showers yielded to a brief burst of sunshine.

It was necessary to postpone the firework, but the fleet was splendidly illuminated, and the marvelous spectacle was witnessed by hundreds of thousands of spectators from all parts of Ireland.

To Improve Hawaiian Harbor.

Washington, April 4.—The naval board, of which Admiral Barker is chairman, appointed to prepare plans for the establishment of a naval and coaling station at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, has completed its labors. The board was deterred by the absence of data respecting the character of the coral formations in the harbor from submitting close estimates of the cost of making the harbor accessible for large ships. This data can be had only while the work of improving the channel across the entrance bar is in progress. The \$100,000 recently appropriated will be utilized for this purpose as soon as the money can be transferred to the navy department.

Many Skirmishes in Philippines.

Washington, April 4.—The war department has received from General Otis the following report, which is dated Manila, April 3: "Since Jan. 1, 124 skirmishes in the Philippines have been reported, mostly very slight affairs. Our casualties were 26 officers and 78 enlisted men killed, 13 officers and 151 men wounded. Insurgent and native loss in killed and lost on field, 1,426; captured, mostly wounded, 1,432; small arms secured, 3,051; pieces of artillery, 165; large captures of other insurgent property. A number of important insurgent officers are surrendering and the situation is gradually becoming more peaceful."

Boers Advance on Bloemfontein.

It is evident that the Boers are approaching Bloemfontein from the north, notwithstanding the recent dispersal of the force stationed at Kooras Siding and its retirement to Broadfort. Probably there are Boer commandos at Buttrinton, to the northwest, and at Paardeberg, to the west.

New evidence is given daily that the great strength of the Boers lies in their ability to recover their spirit quickly. Being an army of irregulars, they are not so sensitive to defeat as disciplined troops.

No further light is thrown by late dis-

patches on the Kora spruit disaster. It now appears that only a battery and some wagons were caught in the drift by the ambuscaded Boers. A battery, which was behind, galloped off 1,200 yards and opened fire. The Boer blast finally drove this battery into retreat, leaving two of its guns behind, owing to the slaughter of men and horses.

In the meantime the sergeant major of U battery, after repeated attempts, recut one gun out of six. Up to the present time not one of these seven guns has been recaptured.

There is no confirmation of the rumor that a Ladybrand commando has been cut to pieces by French's cavalry.

The swiftness with which the situation in the Orange Free State has changed is a remarkable illustration of the mobility of the Boers. It is only ten days since Commandants Grobler and Olivier were hurriedly retiring along the border of Basutoland, pursued by the British from Cape Colony, while French's cavalry was supposed to be ready to cut off their retreat.

Large Force From Kroonstad.

From Winburg, or perhaps from Kroonstad, comes a large force of Boers to their comrades' aid. Grobler refraces his steps from Smidtfontein. Olivier takes possession of Ladybrand, and a united army 10,000 to 12,000 strong is gathered together in a wonderfully short time. Totally unobserved by the British scouts, this force hurls itself upon Thaba Nchu and afterward on Samrand Post and the waterworks. Thus the whole military status has been reversed.

General Carrington's men, who are going by the Beira route to Salisbury, in Rhodesia, will probably march to Bulawayo, where the railway will be at their command. The advent of this force of good size will make the Transvaalers fear a raid on their capital from the north.

If Colonel Baden-Powell has been warned that he must hold out until May 24, it may be General Carrington and not Kitchener, Methuen or Plumer, who will lead the relief column to Mafeking. The garrison reported all well up to March 20.

Cronje Shoots For St. Helena.

Cape Town, April 4.—General Cronje, Colonel Schiel and 1,000 Boer prisoners sailed for St. Helena last night.

Tunxit In Italian Deputies.

Rome, April 4.—The agitation following the recent tumultuous debates in the chamber of deputies, culminating in its adjournment, is spreading rapidly throughout Italy. The situation is rather grave, as the Extreme Republicans and Socialists are fomenting the discontent. Pandemonium reigned yesterday afternoon in the chamber when the majority forced through the rules shutting off debate. The opposition, especially the Extreme Left, rose to its feet in a mass, shaking fists, howling, stamping, threatening and calling the president a swineherd. The tumult lasted half an hour, when the chamber adjourned for several weeks.

Trophies To Be Put In a Museum.

Washington, April 4.—Admiral Dewey has decided to deposit his entire collection of trophies in the National museum, including the sword presented to him by congress and the great loving cup presented by popular subscription. His object in so doing is to give the public an opportunity to view the collection, which is of great value and interest.

Killed Herself and Children.

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Revolt in the Cameroons Spreading.

Berlin, April 4.—The serious condition of affairs in the German Cameroons continues to engage attention here. It is said that the revolt already extends along the entire length of the Mungo river. Everywhere the villages are deserted, and the planters find it impossible to get workers.

Republians Win in Lincoln.

Lincoln, Neb., April 4.—Republicans elected their entire city ticket by an enormous majority. Members of the school board and five of the seven aldermen, a Republican gain of one alderman. The new city council will stand 11 Republicans and three Fusionists.

Young Girl Hangs Herself.

Putnam, Conn., April 4.—Agatha Egan, aged 20, daughter of Joseph Egan, School street, committed suicide yesterday afternoon by hanging. Despondency from ill health is believed to have been the cause.

Weather Forecast.

Fair; diminishing northerly winds.

PREPARING FOR BATTLE

Boers and British Facing Close to Scene of Ambush.

French Nearly Ready to Attack

Burglers Still Hold Waterworks—In Considerable Force Throughout the District—Carrington May Lead the Mafeking Relief Expedition.

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TATTLING CLOTHING.

A BUCCANEER CAROUSEL.

How M. d'Ogeron Knew the Robbers of Their Booty.

M. d'Ogeron gave the orders to his negro cooks and stewards, posted armed guards in convenient niches so that his guests could be handily shot down if they resisted any part of the carousal, and then, with his two armed body servants, Alphonse and Jean Paul, betwix himself to the squalid town below, where he was received with shouts which were not entirely those of compliment. For three hours he was swallowed up out of vision polite, and then once more reappeared on the road which led to the castle, arm in arm with the chief of the buccaneers, with a procession 50 strong bellowing choruses at their heels.

They lurched up the winding pathways, stamped through the grim gateway, with its decoration of shriveled heads, and clattered into the long low hall of the castle, where was set ready for them a feast made up of coarse profusion. On the blackened wood of the table were hogs roasted whole and great smoking joints of fresh meat and joints of buccaneer meat and roasted birds, with pimento and other sauces, and before each cover was a great blackjack of liquor set in a little pool of sloppings.

To a European eye the feast was rather disgusting than generous, but to the buccaneers, new from the lean fare of shipboard, it was princely, and they pledged the governor with choking drafts every time they hacked themselves a fresh plentiful. Each buccaneer had brought with him his bucket of pieces of eight, which he nursed between his knees as he sat, with a loaded pistol on top as a make weight and a menace to pfeifers, and after that all had glutted themselves with meat they swept the joints and platters to the floor, nor waiting for the slaves to remove them, and called for more drink and the dice boxes, both of which were promptly set before them.

And then began the silliest exhibition imaginable, for the buccaneers, with abstinence at sea, were unused to deep potations, while M. d'Ogeron, though he had been drinking level with the best of them, was seasoned case which wine could never addle.—*Pall Mall Magazine*.

THE SHOEMAKER SAINTS.

Story of the Roman Brothers Who Perished by the Sword.

St. Crispin and his brother Crispinian (always associated together in the calendar) were two natives of Rome, who, having become converts to Christianity, set out for Gaul to preach the faith about the middle of the third century, along with St. Quintin and others. The brothers set at Soissons, where, in imitation of the apostle Paul, they preached publicly in the daytime and worked with their hands at night, earning their own subsistence by making shoes, though nobly born. They supplied the poor at a low price, and a legend tells us that an angel supplied them with leather. The heathen listened to their instructions and were astonished at their charity, disinterestedness, piety and contempt of glory displayed in their lives, and many were converted to the Christian faith.

After they had been thus engaged for several years the Emperor Maximianus, while generally clean and well preserved, have the smell of iodine about them. Then, too, he always leaves his clothes to be fixed at a certain hour. Other men call for their clothes about on time. Not so with the physician. He is always two or three hours late. He is very apt to leave a small vial of morphine tablets in his vest pocket.

"A most peculiar suit of clothes is worn by the pickpocket—yes, I have them for customers too. His pockets are as numerous as the political pin-hunters. Pockets on the inside of pockets. Pockets under the waistband. Pockets everywhere. I never saw the like of places to conceal stolen articles. He might be searched a hundred times and still retain his 'swag.' I wish you could have seen a pair of pants I fixed up for one of those circus grafters. That pair of pants just had exactly 42 pockets."

"Gamblers and liquor dealers have more neatness about their dress than any others. They dress in more ostentation than the meet of other callings. The gambler generally leaves cards or poker chips in his pockets, and I have no trouble in finding him out."

"Take the grocery man, for instance. His clothes smell of almost everything from fish to peppermint candy. They are more or less soiled from coming in contact with lard and other greasy substances. They wear an apron in front which protects that part of the suit."

"It's funny to see the newspaper man's clothes. He don't have time for the use of a coat. There are two full moons in his pantaloons, and nary a patch is there. His trousers are fringed at the bottom, and he generally wears his pants turned up. He is fairly neat in appearance—that is, keeps his clothes clean, because he seldom has more than one suit."

"The bowlegged man is a daisy. He likes his trousers creased in order that he may appear straight limbed. He sits tight in the saddle of his pants. His suspenders are short. The buttons on his trousers have hard service. His vest is shorter than otherwise, but the point of the knee to the side of the crease gives him completely away. That may be the reason that women like bowlegged men, because they keep their pants pressed and creased."

"The college professor has neat clothes, but in them you will find fine particles of chalk dust, etc."

"Old Commodore Vanderbilt, whose head was so long he could eat out of a churn, gave it as his opinion that to be successful in life a young man must be natty. Now, the longer we live the more forcible becomes his advice. Each succeeding generation becomes neater in appearance. There was a time when a dirty, tobacco-splattered shirt front signified dignity and profundity of intellect. But things have changed and from out a hot, ergogenous mass of pseudo natty people our young man of today is evolved. We find him to be neater and cleaner than we were; but, try how we will, man can never escape from the fact that his tailor knows more about him than his wife."

Kansas City World.

His Strong Point.

Mr. Gooding—For my part, I can't understand why you desire to associate with that Mr. Emptyhead. He is one of the least interesting persons I ever met.

Mr. Gooding—I must admit that he is not very brilliant, but he is the only man I know very well who never gives me any advice as to how we ought to bring up our boy.—*Chicago News*.

What It Proved.

Miss Youngthing—Boo-hoo-hoo! Charley's given me a ring set with a mean little turquoise.

Her Mother—That's an emblem of constancy.

Miss Youngthing—It isn't! It's proof of stinginess!—*Jeweler's Weekly*.

Bad temper has an injurious physical effect on the digestion. Bad temper tends to a disposition of blood to the brain, and this leaves the stomach unable to perform its functions properly.

THE CZAR'S SEAMEN.

RUSSIANS MAKE THE WORST SAILORS IN THE WORLD.

Those From the Baltic Have the Government, and Those Drafted From the Interior Detest and Dread the Sea—Gun Practice Almost Unknown.

"You may talk about getting knowledge of your fellow men through the art of phrenology or palmistry; about being able to read the people you meet by observing the lines about the mouth, the turn and form of the nose or ear or the shape and expression of the human eye, but I'll tell you," said Frank S. Flanagan, proprietor of the Pantorium, "there is nothing so clearly indicative of a man's character as the clothes he wears. We clean and press men's clothing here, and it is never necessary for him to tell us his vocation in life. We learn it from his clothes. We know whether he is married or single, and if married how much his wife thinks of him; if single, whether he lives at home or is boarding. He is no mystery to us. We know whether he is a doctor, lawyer, newspaper man, gambler, priest, college professor, merchant, actor, or what. We can tell whether he is bowlegged, nervous or indifferent. If he likes children or is in love, his clothes bear that telltale. In fact, you never know a man until you clean him. When I get my hands on a man's suit of clothes, he is no longer unknown to me."

"You take the ministers. Of course they all wear a garb that is significant of their calling. The back of the coats they bring here to be fixed are always shining like a plate glass mirror. Their lapels are out of line from much pulling and hauling to improve their appearance. Their trousers shiny, too, with a brilliancy that speaks of long vigils and hours of prayer, with perhaps an extra polish obtained in putting down carpets or too frequent rubbing with the palms of the hands, smacking their legs in laughter while cracking jokes. They do not wear creases lengthwise in their trousers pressed by the iron, but the creases circle around the legs. That's caused by holding the children on his lap. Pshaw! You can always tell a preacher's clothes."

"The lawyer's clothes are almost as easily distinguished as the preacher's. The seat of his trousers is always thin. You see, he generally sits on a wooden or cane bottom chair. This part of his trousers is only an adumbration. If the hole is worn completely through, he adopts one of two measures. He either wears a longer coat or has his pants 'half soled.' If he wears a longer coat to hide the laxity of his apparel, he is continually grabbing the bottom edge of it to keep the wind from disclosing his secret. If he has his trousers patched and continues to wear his sack coat, he looks shame-faced and backs out of one's presence like aumblebug. And then, too, the inside coat pocket of a lawyer is always full of papers. This makes the pocket sag, and it soon gets out of shape. The elbows of the lawyer's coat are always shiny. In studying he puts his head in his hands and rests his elbows on the table."

"I can tell a doctor too. His clothes, while generally clean and well preserved, have the smell of iodine about them. Then, too, he always leaves his clothes to be fixed at a certain hour. Other men call for their clothes about on time. Not so with the physician. He is always two or three hours late. He is very apt to leave a small vial of morphine tablets in his vest pocket."

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FARM AT AUCTION

MONDAY, APRIL 9, at 10 a. m., on the premises, will be sold the farm belonging to George W. Pearce, situated on the east beach road above, N. H. Farm contains 100 acres, about one-half being pasture and village land. Land is very early with gentle southern slope, pasture is well watered, good well near house. House contains eight rooms, has a large back porch and ample room for cattle and two horses. This farm is situated within one-half mile of the beach, on a good location commanding an excellent view of the ocean, and is in every way very desirable.

ALSO.

At same time and place will be sold a magnificient building, containing 1000 square feet of floor space. This lot contains about one and one-half acres with frontage on the road of about two hundred feet, grand view can be seen from the top of the hill. Terms \$100 cash at time of sale, balance within fifteen days. Further particulars may be obtained of Calvin Page, attorney for the heirs of George W. Pearce.

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THURSDAY, APRIL 5 1900.

CITY BRIEFS

The tax assessors are busy. Paine's Celery Compound. Globe Grocery Co.

New water pipe is being laid on Woodbury Avenue.

This is a general stockholders day on the Boston and Manchester road.

The small boy is happy — Randolph Bill's show will be here on June 7th. Conner, photographer studio, (formerly Nickerson's), No. 1 Congress street.

Cake maple goods are on the market and quoted at twenty-five cents per pound.

The joint committee on finance will have a meeting at the city building this evening.

Lyon Temple will have a turkey supper and whist party on the evening of Friday, April 13th.

Five lodgers and one drunk made up the sum of Wednesday night's business at the police station.

The mock auction at the Woman's Exchange last Saturday evening netted almost nineteen dollars.

An enjoyable assembly under private auspices was held in Conservatory hall on Wednesday evening.

Fisherman's Luck will be presented at Music Hall this evening by the Portsmouth Dramatic company.

This is the season of millinery openings and the feminine heart is stirred with pleasant anticipations.

The first concert and dance of the Larkin club will be held at Peirce hall on Thursday evening, April 26th.

It does not look as if any Portsmouth people would be present at the opening of the Paris exposition this month.

Robins defeated Kehoe eleven points in a hundred point game at Coleman's pool rooms on Wednesday evening.

Rubber heels become very popular and John G. Mott is fitting out the local public with an excellent article.

The Ladies' Social circle of the Universalist church took place on Wednesday evening and was well attended.

Special sale of Onions at the Globe Grocery Co.'s meat department on Thursday and Friday at 15 cents a peck.

St. John Lodge, A. F. & A. M., initiated one or two candidates on Wednesday evening and then sat down to a spread.

Harry Mow and Frank Woods will play an exhibition game of pool—150 points—at the New Marlboro tomorrow evening.

Never in the history of the millinery art have the millinery shops of this city presented a more engaging and attractive display.

Lots of money made on New York Stock Exchange with \$30. Send for particulars. ARCHIBALD ANSELLE, 31 Broadway, New York.

A number of people in the near suburbs have tapped the maple trees near their residences and commenced syrup making on a small scale.

A young lady riding her bicycle on Court street was thrown to the ground and assisted to her home, apparently badly shaken up by the fall.

Big parties are coming from York and Kittery to attend the production of "A Fisherman's Luck," at Music hall, this evening, by the Portsmouth Dramatic company.

Bishop Bradley will pay his Episcopal visitation to the Church of the Immaculate Conception on Thursday, May 24th, when a large class will be confirmed.

Horace Mitchell of Kittery Point is moving the Mary Randall house, which has been a landmark near the Hotel Chamberlain, to his farm on the asphalt road.

Plenty of rain this month means an abundance of Mayflowers next month said a Portsmouth man who can see a pleasant side to everything, even a cold, disagreeable rain storm.

It is only a question of time, say the police, when the forger who recently worked the merchants here, will be captured. It is not the fault of the police that the man is not already in custody.

The Portsmouth navy yard golf club has been reorganized and the following officers elected: Dr. Devlin, president, Capt. Harrington, vice president, Capt. T. H. Low, sec., Commander Swinburne, trustee.

Grand Master McLane of Milford was unable to make his official visit to St. John's Lodge, A. F. & A. M., of this city on Wednesday evening, the 11th inst., on account of the illness of one of his relatives.

The last two weeks before Easter is always a busy time for the tailors. A local clothier of the new and tempo men assures that there is an avalanche of impatient customers rushing in with demands for spring suits and odd trousers.

OBJECT TO TRUSTEE

The Norton Will to Be Contested In the York County Court.

In the probate court at Alfred, Wednesday, the Norton will case of York was continued for a month. A contest is likely to be made against the will by the son and daughter and it was in the hope that an agreement might be reached in relation to their claim that the matter was continued.

The son is J. Perley Norton of York and the daughter is Mrs. Maude N. Small, also of York. Under the terms of the will, the whole property was left in trust, the income of three-fifths to go to the son, and the rest to the remainder to the daughter.

It is understood that the effort to break the will is to be made because of the desire of the son and daughter to have control of the estate themselves, instead of having it in the hands of trustees. The property is valued at about \$100,000.

Fairfield & Moore of Saco represent the son and George E. Ward of Portland is looking after Mrs. Small's interests. Judge H. H. Burbank of Saco is attorney for the executors.

LIFE A MILEAGE BOOK

Books of Stamps Will Be Sold Here In About a Month.

An innovation will be offered at the postoffice about May 1. Postmaster Bartlett received notice in the last general orders that about that time the postoffice department will be ready to supply the postmasters for sale to the public small books of two cent stamps. These will be interleaved with paraffined paper to prevent premature adhesion. The pages of six stamps each will make up the book which will be of convenient size to carry in the pocket or pocketbook. There will be three sizes and an extra cent will be charged for each to pay for the binding and covers. The two page size with 12 stamps will cost 25 cents, the four page size with 24 stamps 49 cents, and the third size with 48 stamps will cost 97 cents.

Several other changes have already been made in the daily bulletin which have not officially come to the post office yet, but are expected in the near future.

WIER CHANGES HANDS.

Kittery Point Property Sold to E. Newton & Son of this City.

The fish weirs at Pocahontas point, Gorham island, which for some years have been operated by Mitchell & Company of Kittery Point, have passed into the hands of E. Newton & Son of this city. Newton & Son began today to load poles for their outer weir, near Wallis sands. Their Little Harbor weir will also be improved this spring.

At the present time, Newton & Son have twenty three men employed on their weirs and the season promises to be a busy one for the firm.

OSEQUIES.

The funeral of Mrs. Frank Williams was held at the home of her sister in Amesbury, Mass., this forenoon and she had arrived here this afternoon and was taken to Harmony Grove cemetery, where the interment took place under the direction of Undertaker O. W. Ham.

At the home of the deceased on the Lafayette road at 2 o'clock this afternoon, the funeral of Edward Valeo was held, the Rev. C. M. Seaman of the Advent Christian church officiating. The interment was in the family lot in Proprietor's cemetery.

WARD FIVE DELEGATES.

The democrats of ward five, on Wednesday evening, the 11th inst., chose the following delegates to the coming convention:

State—A. K. W. Green and J. Ed. Pickering;

District—Edward Russell and Patrick Moran.

Alderman A. N. Wells presided over the meeting at which these selections were made and W. H. Phinney was secretary.

A GREAT BOWLING SCORE.

It is very doubtful if the crack bowlers of Boston have ever equalled the three string total, at candle pins, which was made by Sam Whitehouse on the Portsmouth alleys, Wednesday evening, the 11th inst. In a practice game, he scored the remarkable high figures of 373. He made a couple of nineteen spares, one seventeen and one eighteen, and a single strike. His strings were 100, 100 and 103.

WATER FRONT NEWS.

Arrived, April 4—Tug Luzerne and barge Battega, coal, from Perth Amboy.

Sadie, April 5—Tug Piscataqua and barges P. N. Co. No. 10 and York, the former for Gloucester and the latter for Boston.

FIREFIGHTING WHIST.

The last of the series of what parties given by Col. Sibley engine company were held at their quarters on Wednesday evening and were largely attended.

The prizes were awarded as follows:

First, C. H. Kehoe; second, F. Randall;

third, Louis Schwarz; fourth, Henry Batten.

PERSONALS

Hayes Cotton is on a trip to New York. Howe Call was in Boston on Wednesday.

Mrs. Robert King of Rogers street is quite ill.

Trus W. Priest was in Boston on Wednesday.

Mrs. George H. Joy is a visitor in Boston today.

Miles Lucy Woods of Pleasant street passed Wednesday in Boston.

Police Officer Henry Holbrook has recovered from his recent illness.

John L. Beacham of Wolfeboro visited H. H. Beacham on Wednesday.

Former Alderman A. C. Hoyt is out doors again, after quite an illness.

Mr. Albert Lee of Union street is visiting his parents in Lynn, Mass.

Miss Mand Simpson and brother, A. P. Simpson, were in Boston on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Almy of Wibird street were in Boston on Wednesday.

Judge Edward H. Adams attended the session of probate court in Exeter on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. George D. Marey will leave today for Washington to visit Miss Marey's parents in that city.

Samuel Dixon, of the firm of Dixon & McLoire, was able to return to his duties after an illness of four days.

Kennard Tracy of Winchester, Mass., formerly of this city, is the guest of relatives on Court street.

Among today's visitors to Boston were Mrs. R. I. Walden and daughter, Margaret, Mrs. John G. Parsons and Mrs. D. W. Bainabee.

Norman Beane, Esq., superintendent of the Rockingham county farm, was here today on business connected with the institution.

The engagement is announced of a prominent young lady of this city, to a well known Philadelphia, the wedding to take place in the early fall.

Dr. Locke, a Dartmouth graduate and now of the Massachusetts General Hospital, proposed to locate in this city. He is the son of City Marshal Scott Locke of Concord.

Letters received from Ralph E. Gould report him as rapidly being restored to health. He is busily engaged in the maple sugar business, having five hundred trees tapped. He reports good sleighing at his home.

Arthur M. Doolittle, who for some time past has been employed as head clerk in the pharmacy of William D. Grace, has resigned and will go into the insurance business. He will be succeeded by J. W. Taylor.

DEAFNESS CANNOT BE CURED.

By local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian tube. When this tube is inflated you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed for ever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

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AN INTERESTING VOLUME.

A recently published volume of short stories from the press of L. C. Page & Co., of Boston, written by Oscar Fay Adams, contains among others, a serial narrative entitled, "Why the Bishop Left Rye Beach," which is peculiarly interesting to the people of this section. Not only is it mentioned in the course of the narrative, but we find frequent references to Portsmouth, Newcastle, the Wentworth house, Isles of Shoals, Little Baileys Head and Hampton, and in the name of the hotel at which the characters are supposed to stop, we recognize without difficulty the Parragut, thinnly disguised.

BASKET BALL GAMES.

The next games in the basket ball league will be held in Pierce hall next Friday evening, when the Y. M. C. A. will go on against Portsmouth and the Maplewoodians will play against the Unity club.

The games ought to be as interesting as any that have been seen and should be attended by a large crowd.

COREOPSIS COULDN'T COME.

Owing to the fact that the Calumet club of Manchester played the opera Coreopsis on a royalty, it would have taken too long a time for the necessary papers to be passed to allow of its production in this city tomorrow night.

Furthermore, the elaborate costumes and light effects, hired on a time limit from New York parties, formed another obstacle.